

Table showing different types of member groups operating across the council

nnGroup	Function	Membership and chair	Cabinet Member	Options for scrutiny	Reports to
Scrutiny task group	Task and finish group set up to scrutinise a particular issue	Members selected from scrutiny 'pool' and chair elected from that group	Attends by invitation	O&S sets Terms of Ref and reviews progress via task group summary at every meeting. Committee receives final report.	O&S committee then Cabinet or Council
Commissioning working group	Consultative and provides a member view to the development of a commissioned services	Cross party membership. Cabinet Member is usually the chair but the agenda is very much driven by the stage of the project	Yes	O&S can request Lead Officer and/or Cabinet Lead to attend O&S to answer questions on the project	Output feeds into the project on an ongoing basis and into reports to Cabinet/Council
JMLG	Part of the corporate governance arrangements set up to monitor performance and development of a shared service	Joint officer/member group. Some have non-Cabinet member nominee. Chairs selected from members within the shared service.	Relevant Cabinet Member	O&S can call the service to account via the Cabinet lead, Client Lead Officer or Service	
Cabinet Member working group	Develop policy or move forward on a particular issue related to their Cabinet portfolio.	Cabinet Member is chair and selects the group after asking for nominations from groups	Yes	Not really relevant but O&S may want to be aware of the work of the group. Can call Cabinet Member to answer questions on the policy area.	Informs Cabinet Member's report
Member working groups	Set up with a one-off remit or may be an ongoing role.	Members select their own chair	Can be a member of the group	O&S may want to be aware of the work of the group and refer items to it for scrutiny	Depends on the remit set. Could be Council or a committee or any other body.